Federal Requirements for Managing Inactive Asbestos Disposal Sites in New Hampshire

Background: The United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) first promulgated standards to regulate asbestos emissions on April 6, 1973 (see 38 FR 8826), and added requirements for the control of asbestos emissions at inactive waste disposal sites on October 14, 1975 (see 40 FR 48299). These standards have since been amended several times and re-codified in 40 CFR part 61, subpart M, "National Emission Standard for Asbestos" (Asbestos NESHAP). On June 28, 2002, the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services (DES) submitted a request pursuant to 40 CFR part 63, subpart E to substitute the state administrative rules in Env-Wm 3900 for some sections of the Asbestos NESHAP rule as they apply to certain inactive asbestos waste disposal sites not operated after July 9, 1981. By direct final action (see 68 FR 102), the EPA approved the request for rule substitution, effective July 28, 2003,

Current NESHAP Requirements: As a result of the above cited rule substitution approval, the NESHAP requirements for managing inactive asbestos disposal sites in New Hampshire are as follows:

- <u>40 CFR 61.151</u> for sites operated after July 9, 1981
- Env-Wm 3900 for sites not operated after July 9, 1981

Note: In both cases, the NESHAP applies to inactive disposal sites operated by sources covered under 40 CFR 61.142 (asbestos mills), 40 C CFR 61.144 (certain manufacturing operations using commercial asbestos) and 40 CFR 61.147 (certain fabricating operations using commercial asbestos).

Other Federal Requirements: Other applicable federal regulations include, but are not limited to:

- 49 CFR 107 and 49 CFR 171-172 pertaining to transportation of asbestos
- 29 CFR 1910 and 29 CRF 1926 pertaining to occupational safety and health
- 40 CFR 763 pertaining to occupational safety and health